

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Call to Order: Chair Gary MacLaren, on February 10, 2011 at 3:3:13 PM, in Room 172 Capitol

00:01:06

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Gary MacLaren, Chair (R)
Rep. Michael (Mike) More, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Michele Reinhart, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Liz Bangerter (R)
Rep. Dick Barrett (D)
Rep. Bryce Bennett (D)
Rep. Tom Berry (R)
Rep. Edward Greef (R)
Rep. Pat Ingraham (R)
Rep. James Knox (R)
Rep. Steve Lavin (R)
Rep. Sue Malek (D)
Rep. Jerry O'Neil (R)
Rep. Matthew M. Rosendale Sr (R)
Rep. Derek Skees (R)
Rep. Kathy Swanson (D)
Rep. Gordon Vance (R)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: Rep. Kris Hansen (R), Rep. Mary McNally (D), Rep. Wayne Stahl (R)

Staff Present: Helen Thigpen, Legislative Branch
Phoebe Williams, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 338, 2/3/2011; HB 373, 2/3/2011; HB 380, 2/3/2011
Executive Action: HB 338

HEARING ON HB 338

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:02:05 Rep. John Esp (R), HD 61, opened the hearing on HB 338, Revise the document standards law.

EXHIBIT(loh33a01)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:03:14 Robert Sewell, Montana Land Title Association
00:05:36 Bonnie Ramey, Montana Association of Clerk and Recorders
00:07:12 Steve Turkiewicz, Montana Bankers Association
00:07:51 Ted Lovec, Montana Land Title Association
00:07:52 Rep. McNally joined meeting

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

00:09:15 Rep. Esp

HEARING ON HB 380

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:10:09 Rep. Mark Blasdel (R), HD 10, opened the hearing on HB 380, Revise laws related to water and waste water systems and districts.

EXHIBIT(loh33a02)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:09 Steve Wade, Montana Rural Water Systems
00:11:15 Rep. Hansen joined meeting
00:13:49 Bob Murdo
00:14:34 Alec Hansen, Montana League of Cities and Towns

Opponents' Testimony:

00:16:31 Cindy Swank

Informational Testimony:

00:19:27 Anna Miller, Department of Natural Resources

EXHIBIT(loh33a03)

EXHIBIT(loh33a04)

00:20:44 Harold Blattie, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:21:41 Rep. Bennett
00:22:04 Alec Hansen
00:23:19 Rep. Reinhart

00:24:02 Alec Hansen
00:25:01 Rep. Ingraham
00:25:24 Steve Wade

Closing by Sponsor:

00:26:37 Rep. Blasdel

HEARING ON HB 373

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:27:57 Rep. Lila Walter Evans (R), HD 16, opened the hearing on HB 373, Revising laws relating to county water and sewer district boards.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:29:09 Dennis Peppenger
00:30:58 Cindy Swank
00:31:36 Rep. Jesse O'Hara

Opponents' Testimony:

00:32:10 Bob Murdo

Informational Testimony:

00:33:47 Anna Miller

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:34:10 Rep. Ingraham
00:35:02 Rep. Evans
00:35:25 Rep. Barrett
00:36:27 Rep. Evans
00:36:48 Rep. Barrett
00:37:42 Dennis Peppenger
00:38:14 Rep. Ingraham
00:38:47 Steve Wade
00:39:54 Rep. Reinhart
00:40:35 Steve Wade
00:40:48 Rep. Vance
00:41:32 Rep. Evans
00:41:39 Rep. Bangerter
00:42:22 Rep. MacLaren
00:42:37 Helen Thigpen
00:42:40 Rep. Stahl joined meeting
00:43:09 Rep. Barrett

00:43:34 Rep. Vance
00:44:00 Rep. MacLaren
00:44:16 Bob Murdo

Closing by Sponsor:

00:44:33 Rep. Evans

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 338

00:46:05 **Motion:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **HB 338 DO PASS.**

00:46:19 **Motion:** Rep. Ingraham moved that **HB 338 BE AMENDED.**
EXHIBIT(loh33a05)

Discussion:

00:46:36 Rep. Bangerter

00:46:51 Rep. MacLaren

00:47:09 Rep. Ingraham

00:47:35 Rep. MacLaren

00:48:19 **Vote:** Motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

00:48:38 Rep. Stahl

00:49:40 Rep. Ingraham

00:50:15 Rep. MacLaren without objection postponed further action on HB 338.

00:50:47 Rep. Ingraham

00:51:22 Rep. Stahl

00:51:39 Rep. Vance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 00:52:01

Phoebe Williams, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

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